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1. Cyprus:

a. The Swedes have agreed to contribute troops to a UN peace-keeping force on Cyprus.

b. This should break the log jam of others who have been waiting for Sweden to act first.

c. Meanwhile, violence is cropping out again on the island.

d. Anticipating the early arrival of a UN force, the Greek Cypriots seem intent on showing that they control the security situation on the island. Their line is that the UN force will merely assist them.

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2. Maphilindo talks

a. Frantic efforts again last night and this morning to breathe life into the Bangkok talks apparently have failed.

b. After much urging by Thanat, the participants returned to talk yesterday afternoon, but the obstacle of the guerrillas still could not be hurdled.

c. Indonesia would agree only "in principle" on "the need" to withdraw them and wanted to leave their actual withdrawal and a political solution to be worked out at a summit meeting.

d. This, the Malaysians could not buy, and, at last report, Ambassador Martin had urged Subandrio to put the Malaysian position to Sukarno for decision.

e. The Malaysians want an agreement on withdrawal of Indonesian guerrillas

Simultaneously, they are willing to start political talks and thereafter to call for a summit meeting.

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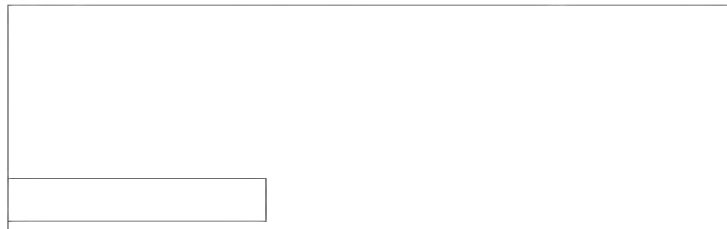
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3. South Korea-
Japan

a. Kim Chong-pil plans to go to Tokyo next week in hopes of breaking the deadlock in the negotiations for normalizing Japanese - South Korean relations.

b. The fisheries issue is the last major obstacle to a settlement, and Kim wants to discuss this with Prime Minister Ikeda and other leading government politicians.



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4. Dominican
Republic


a. Dominican leaders, distrustful of just about everyone, including each other, are becoming more heavy-handed in dealing with disorders.

b. The severity of the police crackdown on Santo Domingo taxi drivers who went on strike on 2 March is indicative of this.

c. There is a widespread belief within the government that the strike is part of a coup plot by elements sympathetic to ex-President Joaquin Balaguer.

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d. Meanwhile, machinations of
right wing, perennial coup plotter
Luis Amiana, may develop into a
genuine threat to the regime. 

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5. East Africa

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6. Bolivia

a. General Barrientos' boosters have won their point.

b. Opposition within the military and dissention within his party were getting so bad that Paz has been forced to drop his hand-picked running mate, Fortun, and name the errant general as vice-presidential candidate in Fortun's stead.

c. This should help bring the military back into line.



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former Vice President Lechin's sympathizers, who are busy forming a new political party of their own, are planning a "general strike" which they believe will cause serious trouble for Paz.

7. USSR

a. The Soviets have resumed firing tests of antimissile missiles, ending a hiatus that began last October.

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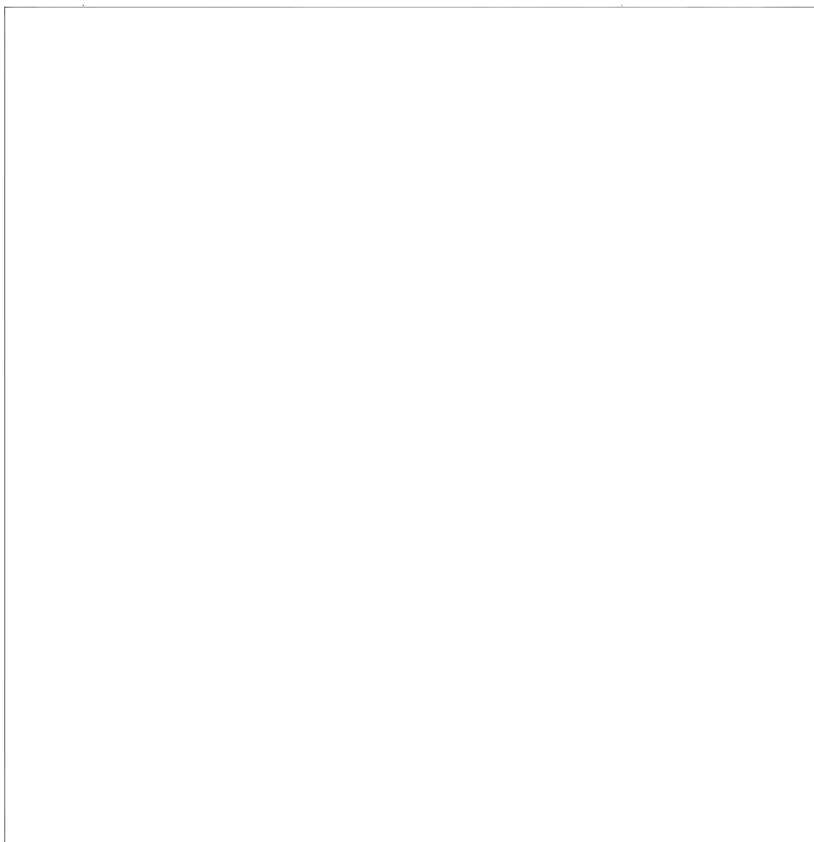
b. On 4 March, a missile was launched from the antimissile test center at Sary Shagan against an incoming MRBM fired from Makat,

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8. UAR-Saudi
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NOTES

- A. Communist China - Hong Kong Chinese Communists are giving high priority to construction of reservoirs and an aqueduct to increase Hong Kong's water supply.

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- B. USSR-Iraq The Soviets apparently have agreed to an Iraqi proposal to substitute additional aircraft [redacted], tanks, and armored cars for surface-to-air missile equipment under the Soviet military aid program. The material is to be financed by credits made available through cancellation of the SAM program.

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- C. Gabon French troops, by their tough tactics, have restored order, and Libreville is back to normal. Beneath the surface, though, there is much bitterness that will return to plague Mba and the French another day.

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